

GAP-INC-2025-0005

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Classification

Type	EXCESSIVE FORCE
Severity	HIGH
Verification	CORROBORATED (by Multiple media sources, student organizations)

Location

City	Tbilisi
Location	Tbilisi State Theatre and Film University

Summary

In March 2025, police forcibly removed 10 Theatre University students who had been occupying the university building for 83 days in protest. Each student received a 5,000 GEL fine and several were suspended from the university. The operation was widely criticized as disproportionate.

Victims

Student Group A (10 students)

Occupation	student
Organization	Tbilisi State Theatre and Film University
Role in incident	primary victims
Current Status	released — suspended from university

Identified Individuals

Unknown — Patrol Police Officers SUSPECTED

Name (KA)	აღუბაძე
Unit	Patrol Police
Agency	MoIA
Role	arresting officer / unit
Actions	Participated in arrest and/or detention operations
Current Status	active duty

Evidence

VIDEO

Description Video footage of police forcibly removing students from university building

Captured At N/A

SOCIAL MEDIA POST

Description Student accounts posted on social media documenting the raid

Captured At N/A

Legal Context

Charges Filed Administrative violations – occupying building

Outcome 5,000 GEL fine each, several suspended from university

Sources

Tabula Magazine (media)

<https://tabula.ge/>

Civil.ge (media)

<https://civil.ge/>

Student solidarity organizations (civil society)

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